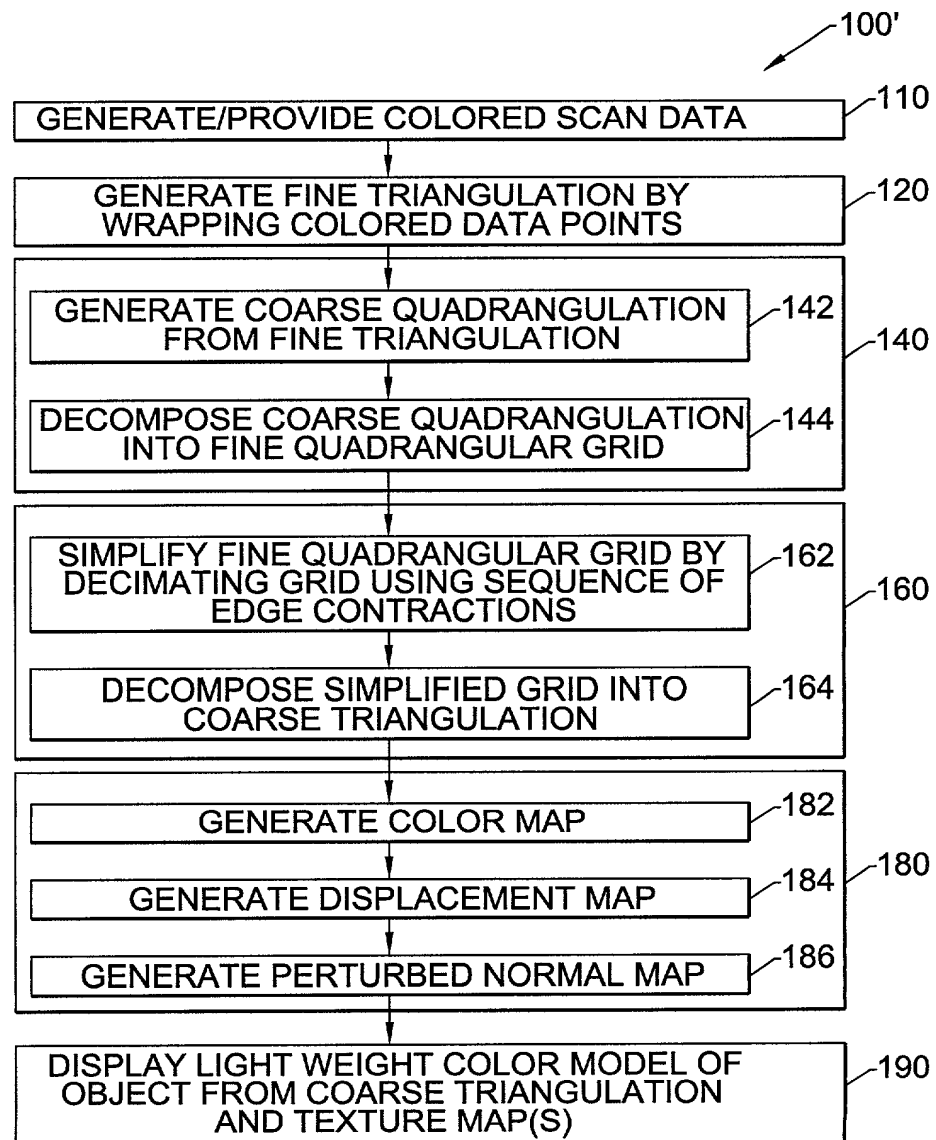
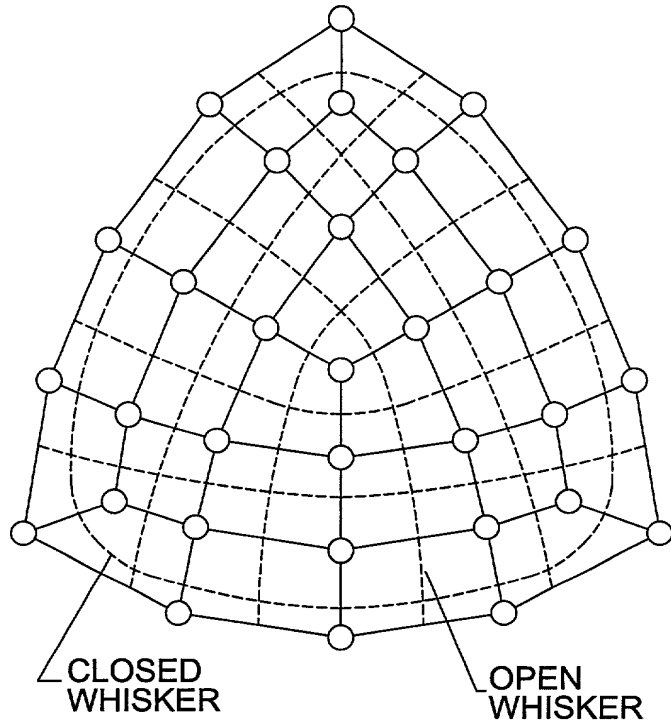


**FIG. 1.**



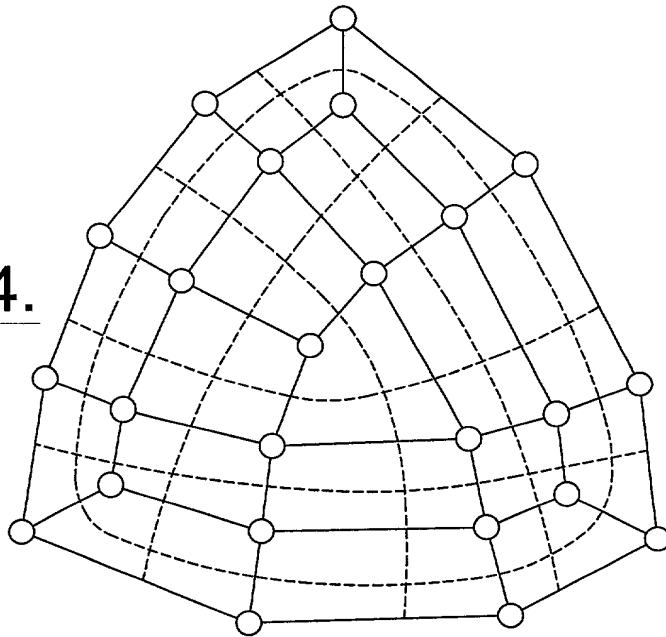
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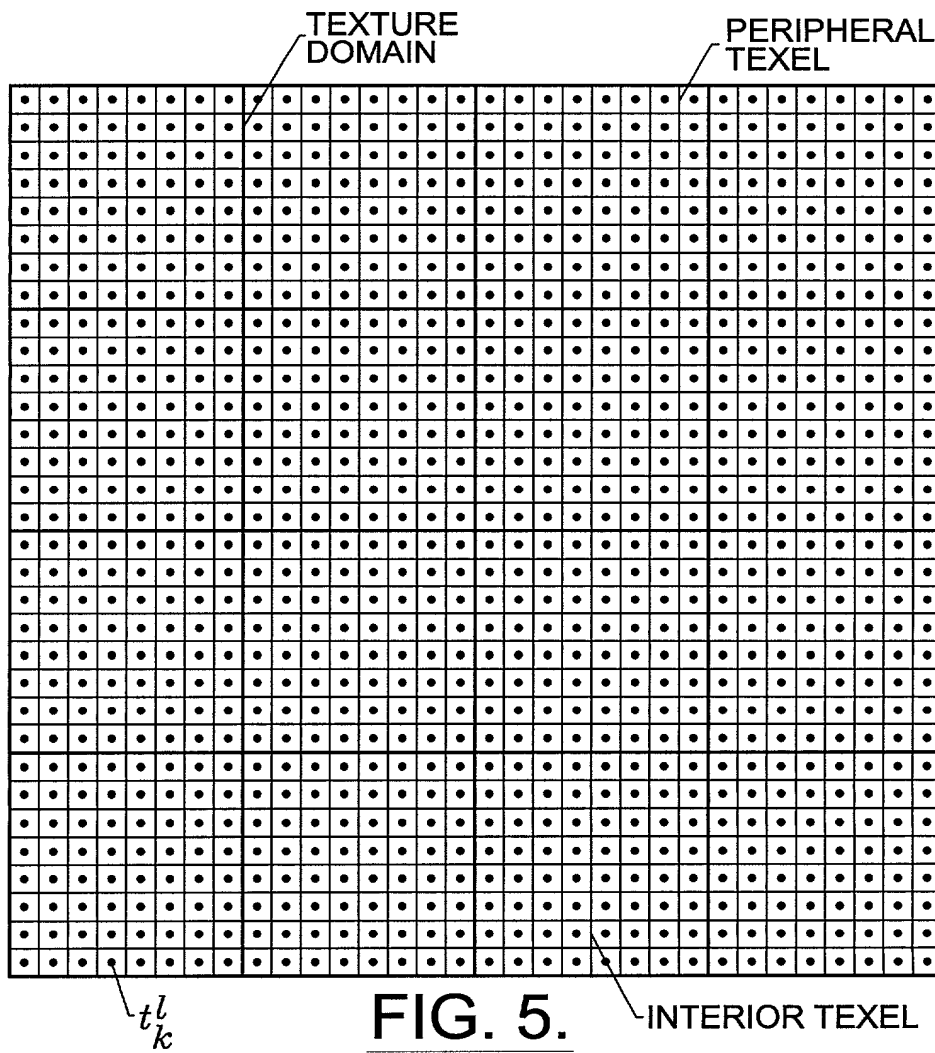
FIG. 3. is a schematic diagram of a closed whisker. The diagram shows a network of nodes (circles) connected by solid lines, forming a closed loop. The nodes are arranged in a grid-like pattern, with the outermost nodes connected by a solid line, forming a closed loop. The inner nodes are connected by dashed lines, forming a grid. The diagram is labeled "CLOSED WHISKER".



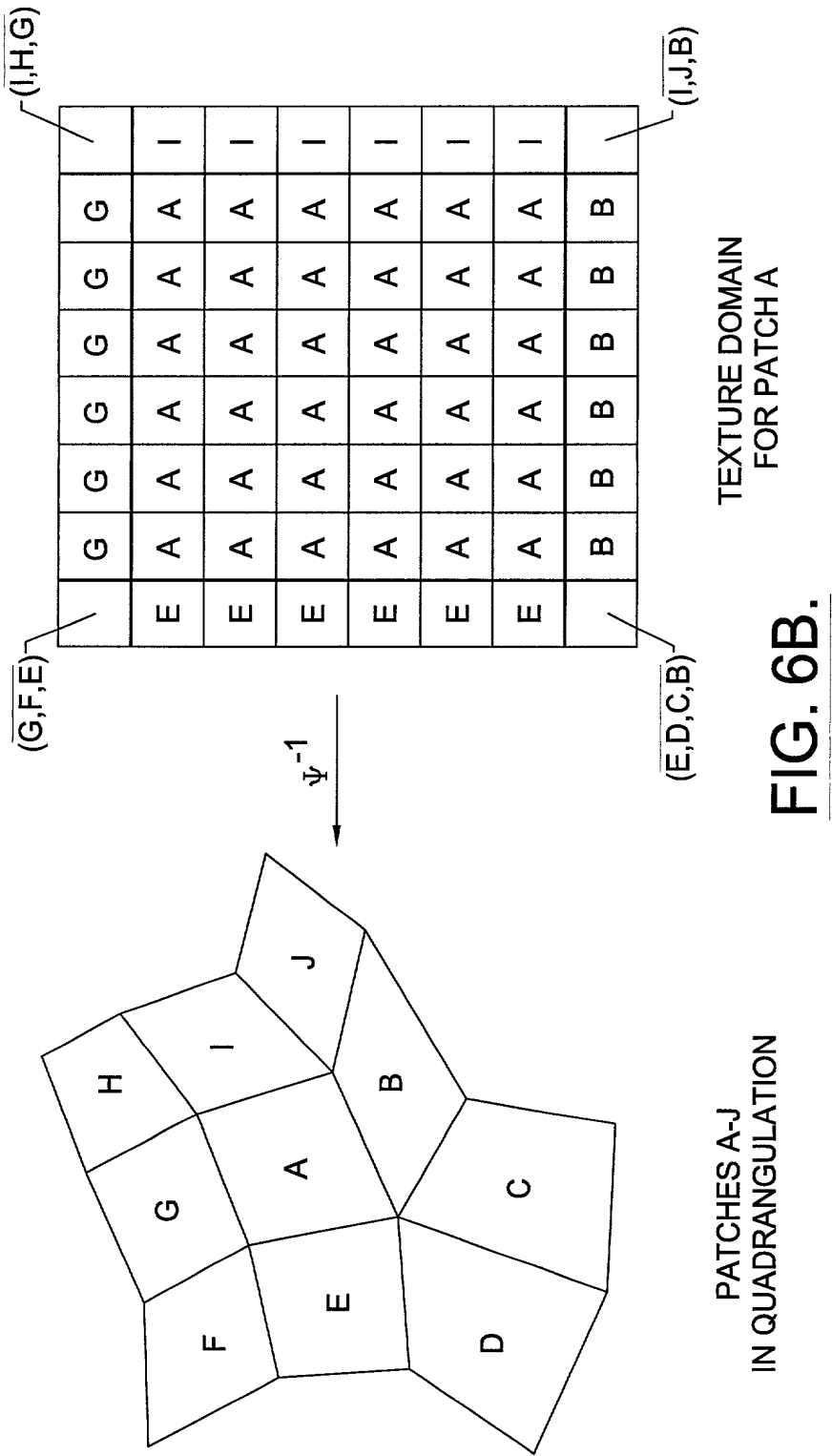
**FIG. 3.**

**FIG. 4.**





**FIG. 6A.**



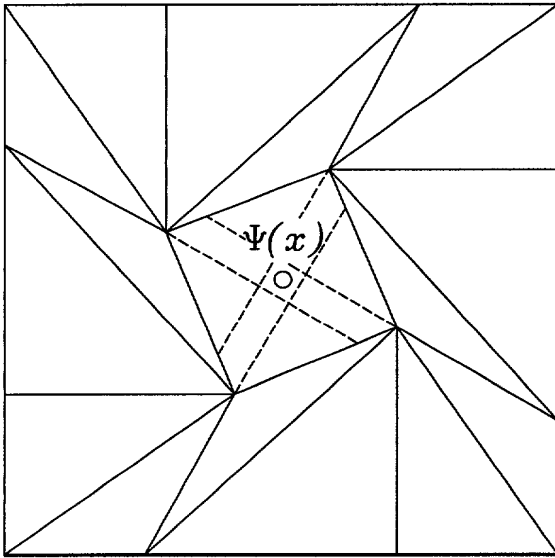


FIG. 7.

FIG. 8.

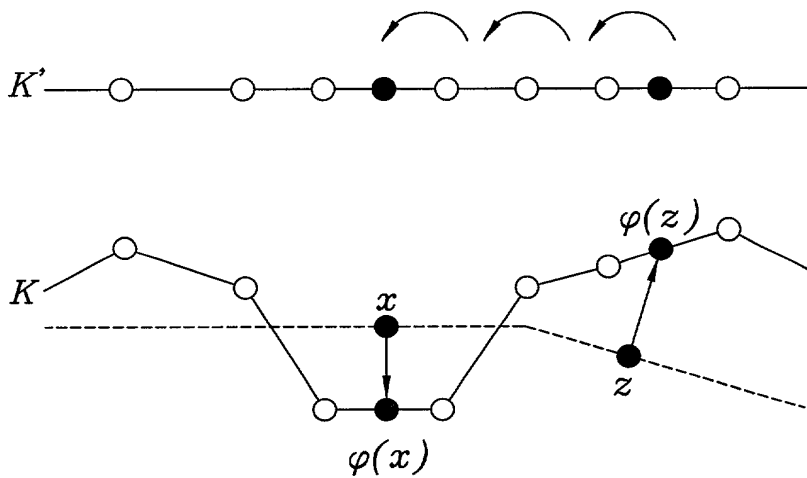
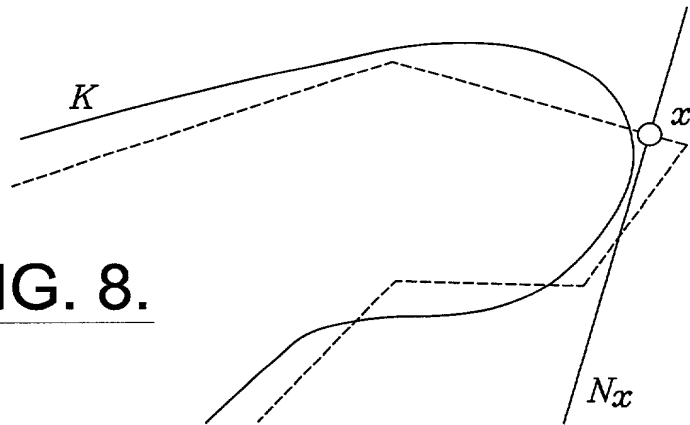
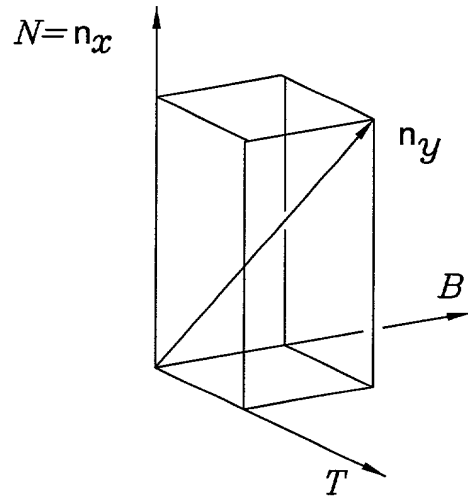
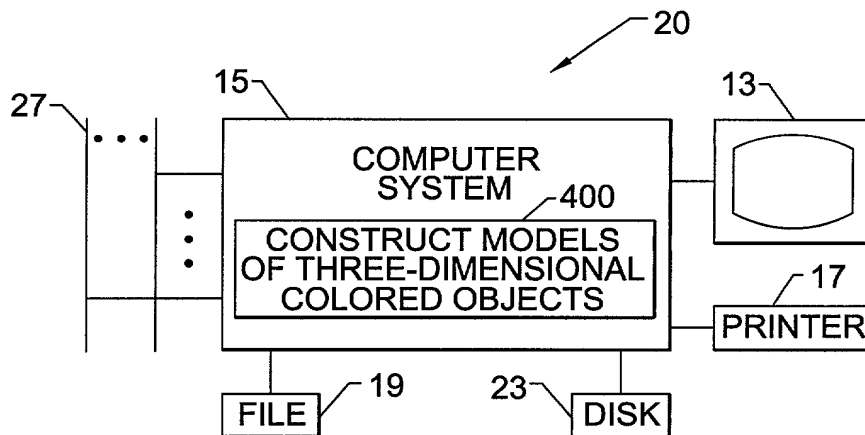


FIG. 9.



**FIG. 10.**



**FIG. 11.**